instant Preliminary Amendment; and renumbering of the remaining pages of the application (i.e., the pages containing the claims and abstract) is respectfully requested, as set forth hereinabove.

The substitute Sequence Listing is being submitted in order to update the information relating to the U.S. attorney of record and to correct certain minor typographical errors -- namely, to correctly indicate the "NUMBER OF SEQUENCES" as "50"; to correctly indicate the length of SEQ ID NO:14 as 421 (rather than 422) amino acids; to conform SEQ ID NO:17 to drawing FIGS. 20A and 20B; and to correctly indicate SEQ ID NO:50 as containing 36 base pairs.

No new matter has been introduced by means of the instant Amendment.

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